

Event Name: BFHD COVID-19

Report Period: 10/10/2020 – 10/13/2020	Mission #: 20-0265	Jurisdictions Impacted: Benton & Franklin Counties
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YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS DENOTE NEW/CHANGED INFORMATION

General Situation/Overview:

On January 21, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Washington State Department of Health announced the first case of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States and in Washington State. As of 3/19/2020 a 24, 48, 72-hour planning projection of the response is being done daily. Friday's planning projection will encompass Saturday and Sunday, then resume normal planning projections on Monday.

Benton and Franklin County At-A-Glance

Total Case Count Updated: 12:00pm 10/13/2020	Benton	Franklin
Confirmed*	4860	4552
Deaths**	126	61

*Confirmed: positive test result. **Deaths: BFHD defined a COVID-19 death as someone who died with COVID-19 as their primary cause of death

City Case Count 10/13/2020 12:00pm	April OFM Population	# of Cases
Pasco	77,100	4001
Mesa	495	108
Connell	5,500	367
Kahlotus	165	<10
Eltopia	-	54
Kennewick	84,960	2828
Richland	58,550	1036
West Richland	15,710	242
Benton City	3,560	184
Prosser	6220	445
Plymouth	-	17
Paterson	-	12
Not Specified	-	117

Current Hospital Status Updated: 12:00pm 10/13/2020 M-F		COVID Like Illness = CLI	
	# Hospitalized Patients	# COVID-19 Confirmed & CLI	% COVID-19 Confirmed & CLI
Current hospitalized patients	332	20	6.2%

Case Locations of Interest updated 12:00pm on 10/13/2020	
	# of Cases
Long Term Care Residents and Staff	548
Please visit Washington State Department of Corrections site for current case counts at Coyote Ridge Corrections Center. (https://www.doc.wa.gov/corrections/covid-19/data.htm)	

OPERATIONS SECTION:

OUTBREAK MITIGATION & DATA: Identify the COVID-19 spread, including clusters; track any lab confirmed cases and determine potential exposures. Identify the spread of COVID-19 in long-term care and community living facilities and provide infection control guidance and resources to those facilities. Input data from Epi into existing systems; WDRS and Redcap surveys.

- Active Outbreaks in the community: these outbreaks meet the definition of an outbreak as described in the 10/1/20 Washington Outbreak report – click link below for report
- <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/StatewideCOVID-19OutbreakReport.pdf>
 - **General Business Community - 21**
 - **Long Term Care Facilities - 11**
 - **HealthCare Settings – 3**
 - **Childcare Settings – 0**
 - **Schools – 0**
 - **Private Gathering – 0**
- The School's Team has requested questions and concerns from the individual school districts be submitted to the team in advance of the weekly school call. This will help ensure a more efficient meeting and allow for information exchange and subject matter experts to provide information directly to the questions on the agenda. Click here for information on school readiness
https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/programs_services/investigations_outbreaks/covid-19/school_guidance
- Negative lab information has been uploaded to DOH. The inclusion of the negative labs helps to provide a more accurate picture of our COVID positivity rate because it provides data on all testing outcomes not just the positive tests
- BFHD will have an Outbreak Mitigation Division meeting tomorrow – ALL COVID response will be involved to discuss current status and sustainability planning

CONTACT TRACING & CARE COORDINATION:

- Care Coordination team connects people in Isolation or quarantine to the services they need to stay isolated. This may be providing a Walgreens Hygiene kit or a Kroger Food box or connecting them with rent assistance, grocery or prescription delivery or other services.
- Contact Tracing team has been busier than usual as there has been an increase as of late in COVID cases to investigate.

COMMUNITY TESTING:

- To date, the National Guard at the HAPO Center testing site has administered **15,831 COVID tests**. Testing numbers this week are as follows: **Tuesday 10/13, 134 tests**
- The positivity rate at the HAPO site last week was 12.7%
- **HAPO Test Site Hours of Operations –Tuesday - Friday from 7:00am- 3:00pm**
- CBC-West Test Site administered: To date the site has administered **2800 COVID tests**. Testing number this week are as follows: **Saturday 10/10 - 207, Sunday 10/11 - 134, Monday 10/12 - 297**
- **CBC-West Test Site Hours of Operations –Thursday through Monday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. ONLINE REGISTRATION is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.** Click the link to be taken to the registration page
www.wacovid19.org/tricitiestesting
- Pasco Processing will proactively start on-site testing for their employees today. The CBC-West Testing Site staff are managing/conducting that operation for Pasco Processing.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS / PUBLIC INFORMATION: Keep our community informed and educated; providing accurate information. Maintain our call center and website; providing updated information. Develop and maintain media products for the weekly press conference.

GOVERNOR INSLEE ANNOUNCED TODAY WE ARE AT PHASE 2 – this means all activities approved in Phase 2 are now applicable to Benton and Franklin County.

Phase 2:

- Recreation, sports and fitness: Outdoor recreation involving five or fewer people outside your household, camping (where open), beaches (where open). Indoor fitness and training facilities must provide 300 feet of distance between visitors. For large facilities (>12,000 sq ft), occupancy is limited to 25%. Certain indoor and outdoor recreation and competition as outlined in Phase 2 guidance. Museums allowed at 25% capacity. Libraries allowed for some activities at 25% capacity. Movie theaters allowed at 25% occupancy.
- Gatherings: Gather with no more than five people outside your household per week.
- Indoor spiritual or religious services: up to 25% of capacity or 200 individuals (whichever is less). Choirs not allowed. In-home faith-based services or counseling with up to five people.
- Wedding ceremonies, wedding receptions and funerals, both religious and non-religious, are allowed up to 25% capacity or up to 30 people, whichever is less, as long as six feet of physical distancing can be achieved between households. This applies to both indoor and outdoor events.
- Travel: Essential travel and travel for activities allowed under Modified Phase 1 and Phase 2. Travel to counties in other phases to participate in non-essential activities is not allowed. Examples include sports tournaments, large group events or dining.
- Businesses: Manufacturing, construction, real estate, photography, pet grooming, in-home/domestic services (nannies, housecleaning, etc.), retail (in-store purchases allowed with restrictions), professional services/office-based businesses (telework remains strongly encouraged), personal services (hair and nail salons/barbers, tattoo, etc.).
- Restaurants/bars*: Open at <50% capacity, table sizes no larger than 6. Alcohol service ends at 11:00 p.m. No bar area seating allowed. No indoor seating at bars unless the establishment meets minimum food requirements in Safe Start guidance. No karaoke or live entertainment allowed. (*bars are defined as taverns, breweries, wineries and distilleries)

- Governor also announces the formation of Recovery Advisory Committee under the Office of Financial Management

- BFHD posted information on Facebook about what questions you will be asked and what questions you won't be asked by the contact tracing team if you test positive for COVID. You can also find information on contact tracing (case investigation) here https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/programs_services/investigations_outbreaks/covid-19/covid-19_faqs Participation in answering ALL of the contact tracers questions is key to keeping transmission low

- Med tech will be available to Richland School District Board Meeting tonight at 6:30 to answer question and provide guidance as it relates to Hybrid Learning options

- BFHD updates [Website](#) [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) daily

LOGISTICS:

PPE RECEIVING/DISTRIBUTION:

- Emergency Management's reached out to all school districts to inquire on immediate needs PPE – State EOC can help fill immediate/Urgent needs to continue school district operations. **In the coming weeks each ESD will gather PPE requests/orders from school districts in their regions.** Orders will be placed with supply anticipated to arrive in late December/early January. In addition, the bid will be set up with the intent to allow for future PPE orders in the later spring.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you are curious to know how much PPE each county has received from the state you can find that information here https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/personal-protective-equipment/tracking-ppe-distribution
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supply both the HAPO Testing Site and CBC-West Testing Site with PPE as needed/requested
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reminder entities should only be requesting assistance for those supplies they are unable to procure for themselves. PPE requests from Hospitals/EMS/Law Enforcement/Clinics/LTC/Dentists need to be sent to their respective Emergency Management no later than 10:00am every Friday or as circumstances dictate – a weekly request will be made to the state every Friday for delivery of supplies the following week. Benton – d.davis@bces.wa.gov Franklin – sdavis@co.franklin.wa.us

DAILY and FUTURE OPERATIONS:

<u>RECURRING ACTIVITIES:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily at 8:00am - Operational Briefing via ZOOM if you would like an invite for this Zoom meeting email Janae Parent at janaep@bfhd.wa.gov
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday and Friday Planning meeting at 4:00pm – Planning Meeting via ZOOM – if you would like an invite for this Zoom meeting email Janae Parent at janaep@bfhd.wa.gov
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday and Friday at 5:00 dissemination of BFHD Incident Action Plan released – Tuesday IAP will cover Wednesday-Friday and the Friday IAP will cover Saturday-Tuesday.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday at 1:00pm – Region 8 Healthcare and partners call
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every other Tuesday at 2:00pm - BFHD hosts local elected officials and decision-makers conference call – next meeting is Oct. 20th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday at 2:00 - SEOC Unified Command Ops to BFHD Command Ops meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues/Fri at 5:00pm - Unified Situational Report (SitRep) released will Change to Wednesdays only will start Oct 21st
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday at 10:30am - Local Hospital/Clinic/EMS/EM coordination call via ZOOM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday at 1:30pm – Call with local agricultural partners
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every other Wednesday at 1:00pm - North Franklin County Community Leadership meeting – call in phone 1-509-545-3555 meeting number: 5847# access code: 3555# next meeting October 14th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday at 11:30am - Coordination call with the WA State EOC, 1-877-820-7831, password 782831# - State SitRep is not produced on the weekends it will be sent M-F only
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every other Thursday at 1:30 - Municipality Advisory Council – next meeting Oct. 15th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every other Thursday at 2:30pm - call with BFHD and LTC agencies – next meeting Oct. 15th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every other Friday at 2:00pm – Central and Eastern WA Counties meeting to discuss farmworkers and H2A Housing community's information/concerns/coordination
<u>FUTURE OPERATIONS:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainability planning for the BFHD COVID response. BFHD Incident Command will transition out of the Franklin County ECC and back to BFHD main office beginning Oct 16th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue planning efforts in preparation for when the governor releases restrictions on movements between the phases of the safe start plan. Planning for a Phase 3 request for our area
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flu vaccination - communicating the importance of receiving a flu shot this year

CURRENT RISKS:

- School re-opening across the two counties
- Flu season and recognition of Flu vs. COVID
- Check This out from the CDC titled: **“Similarities and Differences between Flu and COVID-19”**
CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/symptoms/flu-vs-covid19.htm>

WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION:

- Benton-Franklin Health District- All News: <https://www.bfhd.wa.gov>
- Washington State Department of Health: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- REDI Healthcare Coalition: <https://srhd.org/programs-and-services/hcc/eei->

DISTRIBUTED TO:

Local Health Jurisdiction: Management Team, EOC/ECC Staff, all BFHD Staff

Region 8: Local Emergency Response Coordinators, Emergency Management agencies, healthcare partners, Fire/EMS agencies

WA State: Regional Emergency Response Coordinators, DOH Duty Officer

Eastern WA: REDi Coalition Duty Officer

Cross Boarder: Oregon Regions 6 and 9 Liaisons